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RAILWAYS
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MOBILE POLICE IN RUNNING TRAINS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways are considering to post mobile police to check dacoities in trains;

(b) if so, whether any concrete steps have been worked out in this regard;

(c) if so, whether the mobile police will be made accountable for ensuring safety of passengers from crimes in running trains; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a) & (b) No, Sir. Mobile Police Posts are already in existence in some trains.Maintenance of law and order over the Railways including in running trains is the responsibility of the State Governments. The Railways administrationprovides accommodation in trains while the GRP provides the required manpower and other equipment for the Mobile Posts. The GRP selects thetrains taking the vulnerability of the trains to crime into account for provision of such mobile posts.

(a) & (d) GRP functions under the control and supervision of the StateGovernments concerned. Hence, they are not directly accountable to the Ministry of Railways for ensuring safety of passengers.